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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Applicant respectfully submits this Supplemental Amendment responsive to the Communication mailed April 3, 2003, requesting correction of the Amendment filed on February 14, 2003. As requested, the clean copy of the claims now includes underlining and bracketing with respect to the original claim language of the patented claims.

Accordingly, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 3-6, 10-12, and 21 as follows:

- 3. (Amended) The chamber of claim 1, wherein the reagent composition is a detergent-containing buffered solution to release adenosine triphosphate (ATP) or alkaline phosphatase (AP) from the test sample into the solution for testing, and wherein the reagent composition comprises a phosphoric acid buffer and an anionic or non-ionic detergent.
- 4. (Amended) The chamber of claim 1, wherein the reagent composition is selected from the group consisting of (i) a detergent-containing buffered solution to release adenosine triphosphate (ATP) or alkaline phosphatase (AP) from the test sample into the solution for testing; (ii) a reaction stopping solution having a pH of 8 to 11; and (iii) a luciferin-luciferase or phosphatase substrate reagent, and wherein the reagent composition includes a pH indicator.

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I hereby certify that the enclosed Supplemental Amendment (17 pgs.); Appendix A (5 pgs.); Appendix B (7 pgs.); Exhibit 1 (4 pgs.); Exhibit 2 (31 pgs.); Supplemental Declaration (1 pg.); copy of Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg.); copy of check; Change of Correspondence Address (1 pg.); and Postcard are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Box Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231-9999

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